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HAPPY NEW YEAR TO ALL!

With this the last issue of The Courier for the year 1915 we greet each and every subscriber, reader, friend and citizen with a hearty wish for a prosperous and happy New Year.

The year just closing has had its hardships, its trials, its reverses, and yet withal it has been a good year and a great year. It has had its lessons pleasant and inspiring, its lessons painful and depressing. Let us profit by these lessons, whatever they may have been. If we have found ourselves strong, let us exert our strength to aid others who are weak, and let us not forget the injunction, "Let him that thinketh he standeth take heed lest he fall." If we have found our weakness, let us fortify against it. And those of us who are prone to trust our own strength, let us especially beware "the sins that do so easily beset us." Let us learn from the dead and decaying past of 1915 what is necessary to make 1916 a brighter, happier, better and more prosperous year than 1915 was. It is our privilege and our duty to ponder over what has taken place in the past twelve months and to shape our lives during the twelve months ahead for a better and fuller year.

We wish for each and every one that the very best of those good things that each may wish for himself or herself may be the portion that shall be bestowed. After all, the years are much what we make them. Let us seek to shape and mould the year 1916 into the best and brightest of our lives.

sistent and persistent, as are all the forces of evil, in their endeavors to retain a hold where they still have it and to retain a hold where they have lost it. Each week we receive a large sheet of "ready-to-print" and "costs-you-nothing" matter from the Liquid Hell Dealers, accompanying which is the inevitable request that we will oblige the Hell Dealers by publishing, so that their side of the prohibition question may be presented. Thank God there are few newspapers, in this State at least, who are willing to act as the mouthpieces of the Associated Dealers in Liquid Hell.

At the top of the sheet containing the liquor articles we note the following:

"To the Editor: This clip-sheet is issued by the publicity department of the National Wholesale Liquor (Liquid Hell) parent thesis our Dealers' Association, national office at No. 301 United Bank Building, Cincinnati, Ohio, Clinton Vander, manager. We speak for over 1,100,000 distillers, dealers and employees engaged in the liquor business and allied industries. The matter herein is FREE. Inquiries from any source are welcome and will be handled as carefully and rapidly as possible. A fair presentation of our side of the prohibition question is solicited. The statements herein may be relied on absolutely, as the utmost care is taken in their preparation. Please mention on this sheet, or stereotypes or mats of cuts, may be secured FREE OF COST upon request. Mention serial number when asking for plate."

One of the stock arguments of the association, and of all who favor the sale of Liquid Hell, as we have heretofore noted, is based on the financial question. In one of the latest articles is cited that endeavors will be made to drive the sale of Liquid Hell out of legal channels in New York, and the Liquid Hell Association beseeches the people to bear in mind the fact that in the State of New York the revenue derived from licenses exceeds \$20,000,000. It cites that this enormous loss of revenue would have to be made up by additional taxes. What a calamity! Twenty millions of dollars to make up in the State of New York! Why, it would amount to a mere nothing. And in return for this loss of \$20,000,000 of funds to the government through prohibition the State would

gain at least \$100,000,000 in the increased efficiency of the laboring classes alone; and the comfort and happiness of thousands upon thousands of women and children is not computable in dollars and cents. Instead of a loss there would be a financial gain, because every drop of liquor consumed represents a degree of efficiency wasted. It is true that Liquid Hell would be shipped into New York just as it is to-day shipped into South Carolina. Nothing short of universal prohibition is ever going to totally do away with Liquid Hell, but its use can be materially reduced by reducing the area in which it can be easily had. The harder it is to get, the less of it will be used.

It is also true that there are lots of people who think they cannot get along without it. The morphine fiend thinks he cannot get along without his narcotic—and in some instances he could not. But the country would be better off if every one who has reached the stage where he cannot do without narcotic stimulant could be laid peacefully away. He has become a nuisance to himself and a menace to the public.

Liquid Hell is gradually coming to be looked upon as in the same category with morphine, cocaine and others of the death-dealing narcotics. The only real difference is that the Liquid Hell route to destruction is more prolonged.

We hope that New York will be given opportunity to show the Liquid Hell Dealers' Association how it can lose a \$20,000,000 liquor license fund and still be \$100,000,000 better off. It can be done.

PEACE REIGNS IN MEXICO.

Surrender of Rodriguez and Medina-veita Gives Carranza Control.

El Paso, Texas, Dec. 26.—Peace reigns in Mexico for the first time in five years.

By the surrender of Gens. Rodriguez and Manuel Medinaveita at Casas Grandes all of Northern Mexico passes into the control of Gen. Carranza, first chief of the Constitutionals.

This was the only section in which warfare still existed.

The two Villa generals surrendered 1,200 men to Gen. Alvaro Obregon, commander-in-chief of the Constitutional army.

Gen. Villa, unless he goes to the

men will be treated as nationals and will not be deprived of any of their civic rights for serving under Villa.

All armed resistance to Gen. Carranza in Northern Mexico is now at an end, and the first chief is now in a position to give his undivided attention to the rehabilitation of his country.

Villa Downfall Laid to European War
Washington, Dec. 26.—The European war was the real factor which defeated Gen. Villa in Mexico, according to special agents of the Department of Justice who have been conducting extensive investigations along the Mexican border and are familiar with conditions there and in Mexico. They explain that for many months Villa has been unable to obtain arms and ammunition from American dealers and manufacturers because he could not outbid the European belligerents.

Had it not been for the war and had the price of arms and ammunition remained normal, it is believed by many of these agents Villa would have been successful in his insurrection.

Martin-Grubbs Wedding.

Westminster, R. F. D., Dec. 27.—Special: A pretty home wedding was solemnized at the home of Mrs. Janie Martin, of Retreat, on Thursday, December 23, at 3 o'clock, when her lovely daughter, Miss Ruby Marie Martin, and Fred Grubbs were joined in holy wedlock. Rev. C. D. Boyd, pastor of the groom, performed the impressive and interesting ceremony which bound them as husband and wife.

The bride is the youngest daughter of Mrs. Martin, and is an accomplished young lady, loved by all who know her. The groom is a son of Willis Grubbs, of Fair Play, and is a prosperous young farmer.

Mr. and Mrs. Grubbs, shortly after the ceremony, left for their home at Fair Play.

We join with many others in wishing the young couple a long and prosperous journey through life.

Advertised Mail.

The following is a list of letters remaining uncalled for in the Walhalla post office for the week ending December 29, 1915:

Miss Blanche Pierson.
Miss Elizabeth Littlejohn.
When calling for the above please say they are advertised.
N. Fant, P. M.

NOTES FROM BOUNTY LAND.

Many Visitors for the Holidays—A Pleasant and Quiet Christmas.

Bounty Land, Dec. 27.—Special: So far the holidays are passing away very quietly. Quite a number of guests, a general home-coming of our boys and girls, several family dinings and a Christmas tree at the school house, is the order of the Yuletide celebrities up to date.

Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Milam and two children, Master Henry and Miss Cornelia, of Sandy Springs, are visiting Mrs. Milam's mother, Mrs. J. B. Pickett.

Misses Cora Hubbard, of Anderson, and Miss Mae Hubbard, of Winthrop College, are spending the holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Hubbard.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Shanklin and children, of Anderson, are guests of relatives in the community.

The Christmas tree at the school house was well loaded with gifts for the children, and many of the grown people were remembered by old "Santa." Quite a number of recitations, delightfully rendered by the pupils of the school, afforded pleasant entertainment to the large crowd of visitors present.

Mrs. J. W. Davis and son Frank and daughter, Miss Blanche, of Walhalla, were guests in the community Friday and attended the Christmas tree.

The entire community regrets the departure of Mr. and Mrs. G. B. Guntharp and family, who recently moved to West Union. They will be greatly missed by a number of friends here, who heartily commend them to the good people of West Union.

Miss Estelle Sheriff, of the Friendship section, and Mrs. Shipman, of Cornesville, Ga., are guests of relatives in the community.

D. L. Colley, of the U. S. S. Delaware, is a holiday guest of his aunt, Mrs. J. S. Entekin.

Wade Jamison and Gary Binniker and sister, Miss Lizzie, of Orangeburg, are guests this week of Miss Clyde Smith.

S. M. Shanklin, of Clayton, N. C., spent the week-end at his home here.

Mr. and Mrs. A. S. Rollins and two children, of Charleston, and Miss Lura Perritt, of Winthrop College, arrived Thursday at the home of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Perritt.

Miss Sallie Davis has returned from a visit to relatives in Anderson. Miss Clyde Smith will entertain quite a number of her friends this evening in honor of her guests.

Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Marett, of Oakway, are visiting their daughter, Mrs. Walter Rankin.

Miss Beth Stribling, of Seneca, is expected as a holiday guest of Miss Cary Doyle.

O. H. Doyle, of Columbia, is with homefolks this week.

Christmas at Blue Ridge.

Walhalla, R. F. D. No. 1, Dec. 27.—Special: Blue Ridge Graded School closed for the holidays on Thursday, the 23d.

The Christmas exercises were given over entirely, as was most fitting, to the primary grades. No one could have wished it otherwise, for the joyous Christmas spirit with which these little tots carried out their admirable program was quickly caught by the large crowd in attendance, making the occasion one that will linger most pleasantly in the memory of the adult audience, while the childish minds will live it over again till another Christmas.

Miss Gussie DuPre, the lovable teacher of these little folks, spared no study or painstaking care. From the smallest detail of the beautiful and original decorations, to the comfort of her audience, the entertainment was cleverly planned and successfully executed.

The exercises began at 1:30 o'clock p. m. Song, dialogue and declamation composed the bright program, with the appropriate climax of a real, live Santa Claus, who, in all the pictured completeness of gay costume, flowing white beard and rotundity, distributed the attractive gifts on the sparkling tree, creating intense excitement by his ludicrous antics. All who were so fortunate as to be present feel greatly indebted to Miss DuPre for this real Christmas treat.

The teachers are spending the holidays at their respective homes—Miss DuPre at Walhalla, Miss Maude Darroft with her brother at Westminster, Supt. R. L. Meares at Fountain Inn.

The young people of the district are delighted to have two of their former schoolmates with them for the holidays—Miss Selena DuRog, of Draughton's Business College, Greenville, and Bruce Lynch, of Clemson

UNIQUE STORM STRIKES N. Y.

Thunder and Lightning Accompany Heavy Wind and Snow.

New York, Dec. 26.—One of the most weird storms the East has seen in many years—rain, hail and snow, accompanied by thunder and lightning and a gale which reached a maximum velocity of 90 miles an hour—descended from the northeast early to-day as the aftermath of a Christmas fog. It indirectly caused seven deaths in this vicinity, carried down telegraph wires, damaged shipping, crippled railroad traffic, and caused considerable property damage.

The phenomenon of thunder and lightning in the midst of a driving snow awakened New Yorkers at the height of the storm about 7 o'clock this morning. A gale from the south, accompanied by rain, had been blowing during the night, but the temperature dropped during the early morning hours, changing the rain to hail and then to snow. The local weather bureau reported a total precipitation of 5.2 inches, of which 2.8 was snow.

Several of the land lines of the cable companies between New York and Nova Scotia were put out of business.

Shipping of all kinds scurried to shelter to escape the heavy seas, and several ocean liners dropped anchor until the gale abated. Twenty-five persons aboard 15 canal boats driven ashore off Sandy Hook were rescued by coast guard crews. Those saved included the wives and children of the boats' captains. James O'Neil, in command of one of the boats, was knocked into the sea by a flying board and drowned.

A barge in tow of the tug Seneca, from Norfolk for New England ports, sprung a leak and sank 12 miles east of Ambrose Lightship. Seven Erie railroad barges loaded with automobiles sank in the East river.

The deaths in the city resulting from the gale all occurred this morning while the blinding snow storm was at its height. A fireman was fatally injured while responding to an alarm. A woman was run over by a street car, the motorman of which could not see her on the tracks.

Another woman collapsed and died in the street while battling against the gale on her way to church. Scores of persons were more or less seriously injured.

at Mineola, and was fatally injured. His wife, who was riding with him, also suffered injuries from which she may die.

An aged man fell on an icy pavement in Newark and died of a fractured skull on his way to a hospital.

The Reformed church, at New Brighton, Staten Island, was struck by lightning and seriously damaged.

Wind tore the roof off the hospital ward of the Newark, N. J., City Alms House and two elderly women patients were injured by falling beams. Part of the roof also was blown off the building in which aged women are housed on Blackwell's Island.

A crowded tenement house in Passaic, N. J., was unroofed, as was a church in Brooklyn, just before the morning service began.

Peace Talk is Heard.

Geneva, Switzerland Dec. 28. A dispatch to the Tribune from Vienna says:

"Chancellor von Bethmann-Hollweg is expected in Vienna shortly with the full conditions under which the central powers will accept peace. After discussing the terms with Baron von Burian, the Austrian minister, the conditions will be officially communicated to the allies, Germany suggesting that the first conference be held at The Hague."

France Wants War Now.

Paris, Dec. 28.—"Eighteen months ago France wanted peace. To-day she wants war most energetically, and to that end will use all her resources," said Gen. Gallieni, the minister of war, in asking the Senate to-day to approve the action of the Chamber of Deputies in giving him the 1917 class of recruits for January 1. Gen. Gallieni's remarks were greeted with prolonged applause.

Breaking Point Indicated.

Washington, Dec. 29.—Austria, according to unofficial information received in authoritative quarters here to-day, will not meet the demands of the United States in her forth-coming reply to the Ancona note, and Teutonic diplomatic circles are represented as being prepared for a severance of diplomatic relations.

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Westminster, S. C.

NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS.

All persons indebted to the Estate of J. R. HUGHES, deceased, are hereby notified to make payment to the undersigned, and all persons having claims against said Estate will present the same, duly attested, within the time prescribed by law or be barred.

(MRS.) NANNIE B. HUGHES, Executrix of the Estate of J. R. Hughes, Deceased.
Dec. 8, 1915. 49-52

NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS.

All persons indebted to the Estate of Thomas J. Dalton, deceased, are hereby notified to make payment to the undersigned, and all persons having claims against said estate will present the same, duly attested, within the time prescribed by law or be barred. (MRS.) JULIA DALTON, Administratrix of the Estate of Thos. J. Dalton, Deceased.
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NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS.

All persons indebted to the Estate of E. R. HOLMES, deceased, are hereby notified to make payment to the undersigned, and all persons having claims against said estate will present the same, duly attested, within the time prescribed by law or be barred.

W. R. COBB, Administrator of the Estate of E. R. Holmes, Deceased.
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All persons indebted to the Estate of Mrs. Velina G. Kelley, deceased, are hereby notified to make payment to the undersigned, and all persons having claims against said estate will present the same, duly attested, within the time prescribed by law or be barred. G. A. KELLEY, Administrator of the Estate of Mrs. Velina G. Kelley, Deceased.
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